GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:669
ANSWERED ON:29.02.2000
BAN ON CRACKERS
SURESH CHANDEL

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

:

(a) whether the Government propose to ban the crackers to check the accidents due to fire-works every year in the country;

(b) if so, the time by which it is likely to be banned; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a): No, Sir.
(b) Not applicable.
(c) Fireworks are traditionally associated with religious and social ceremonies of our country ; a ban on crackers would interfere with their observance. Besides, it will result in unemployment of thousands of people who are associated with the manufacture and sale of fireworks.